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For: CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM IRRADIATION EQUIPMENT

AND CONTROL METHOD THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 8 as follows.

8. (Amended) A charged particle beam irradiation equipment according to [any one of] claim 5 [to claim 7], characterized in that the second control means controls the second inverter in a PWM scheme.

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